

1 Delegate Chabot's amendment, I see that there is another
2 source of trouble here. The local government area, for
3 instance. If you eliminate the sections entirely, then
4 the referendum powers that are authorized by the Consti-
5 tution with respect to State laws will be set forth in
6 Sections 2 and 6. The referendum powers that will be
7 authorized, whatever they may be, with respect to local
8 government, will be set forth in that Article, but in
9 either event, you will not have the troublesome language
10 of Section 1 to haunt you. If you leave Section 1 in, the
11 question arises, although the Chabot amendment clarifies
12 it as to Statewide laws, the question arises whether or
13 not there are referendum powers reserve other than those
14 set forth in Section 2 through 6, and in the section deal-
15 ing with local government. It is unnecessary, and I
16 think this debate has made it manifest, it is troublesome
17 and the language raises more questions than answers, and
18 the only justification I can see for it is that somehow
19 the people will find, will easier find in examining the
20 Constitution that there is a power of referendum, but even
21 that is misleading, so as to the other sections of the